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Dear Parents,

The children are working very hard rehearsing for the school play 'A Little Nativity'. The play will be performed in the church on Thursday 11^{th} December at 2.00pm. Mince pies and mulled wine will be served in school afterwards.

If you are able to donate mince pies either bought or homemade can you please let the office know. Children will need to bring in their costumes in a named bag by Friday 5th December. Class 2 need pajamas or onesies, for their supporting role in the play. Class 1 are acting the story of the nativity and a letter will be sent out shortly, although we do have many of the costumes in school.

There have been a few children off ill recently, could you please ensure when your child is absent you telephone school on the first day of the absence so that we know not be concerned that they have not arrived in school. If your child is absent for any reason, even if we send the child home because they feel unwell, please confirm the reason for the absence in writing. Written confirmation should say the nature of the illness not just 'unwell'. If we haven't received written confirmation we will send you a reminder note. Please could you return it to the office the following week, **otherwise an unauthorised absence will be recorded**.

Thank you for all your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Broadhembury School

Question of the week

Class 1 Is the smallest tin in your food cupboard always the lightest?

Class 2 Is life better now we have many TV stations rather than having 2 or 3 as there were in the 1970's?

KS2 Oral Health Visit

On Wednesday the children in KS2 will be having a visit from the Oral Health Team, if you would like your child to take part please return the consent form that was sent home this week and please ensure they bring in their **toothbrush and toothpaste** in a labelled bag.

Bug Club

All children in the school should have a Bug Club log-in to enable them to access the Bug Club reading resources at home (please see your class teacher if you don't have a log-in). One negative about Bug Club is that we didn't think it could be accessed on ipads... until now! If you download a free app called 'Puffin Academy' you can use that to log into Bug Club and it works! Happy reading.

PTFA

There have been a few parents interested in starting up an active PTFA. There will be a meeting for parents who are interested in being involved on Wednesday 10th December at 8pm in The Drewe Arms. This will initially be to find out how much interest there is and whether anyone has had any experience of running a PTFA before. If this is successful it would be a real asset to the school community.

Chess Sets

Do you have any old chess sets that you no longer need or use? If so we would be very grateful if you could you donate them to the school for our extra-curricular activities.

School Worship Dates

We will be having morning worship at the church, led by the vicar, on the following dates 11th December, 18th December, parents are more than welcome to come and join us at 9am in the church.

Primary Times

A copy of the Christmas and New Year issue of Primary Times will be included with this newsletter. It includes a diary of what's on, and when, in Devon.

BROADHEMBURY BRIDGES to week ending Friday 21st November

Class One:

Grace for fantastic artwork

Barnaby for good concentration in his learning

Sophia for being very helpful and tidying up without being asked

Class Two:

Kathryn and Abby for overcoming nerves when performing

Matthew for leading, music with a steady beat

Class Two for making Mrs Carter so proud with brilliant behaviour

Key Dates

Mrs Gray will be in school on Wednesday and Thursday next week.

Wednesday 3rd December – KS2 Oral Health Visit

Thursday 11th December - Christmas Play at 2pm

Sunday 14th December – Broadhembury Christingle Service

Monday 15th December – Christmas Lunch

Thursday 18th December – Carol singing at Hill House

Friday 19th December – Carol singing in the square

Friday 20th December - Last day of term